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July 21, 1995

Mr. James A. Smith Mine Manager USMX of Utah, Incorporated P.O. Box 2650 St. George, Utah 84770

Re: Request for Partial Bond Reduction and Reclamation Release, USMX of Utah, Inc., Goldstrike Mine, M/053/005, Washington County, Utah

Dear Mr. Smith:

On July 17, 1995, the Division received your July 13, 1995 letter, wherein you describe certain disturbed areas at the Goldstrike Mine where USMX has completed its reclamation obligations. USMX is requesting that the Division consider a partial bond release against the Certificate of Deposit, No. 532358, based upon the performance of this reclamation work.

Because of the federal lands involved with this project, I forwarded a copy of your letter to the Bureau of Land Management, Dixie Resource area. On July 20, 1995, I spoke with Mr. Larry Gore of the Dixie Resource office about arranging a date to perform a joint agency inspection of the reclamation work. We tentatively agreed on a date of September 13 or 14, 1995, to perform this inspection. Please let us know at your earliest convenience if either of these dates are not workable for you and/or your staff. We will contact you or Robert Wilson in late August or early September to confirm the time and date of the inspection. Please call me if you have further questions or concerns in this regard.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg

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